

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

In Area no.

Form no.

456



n Lexington

ress 188 Waltham Street

ie John T. Scott House

sent use Private house

sent owner William C. Meehan

cription:

e between 1895 and 1898 1895

Source map, newspaper research

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hitect ?

Exterior wall fabric Grey clapboard w white trim

Outbuildings (describe) Garage

Other features See back

Altered _____ Date _____

Moved _____ Date _____

5. Lot size:

One acre or less 11625 ft.² Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 75'

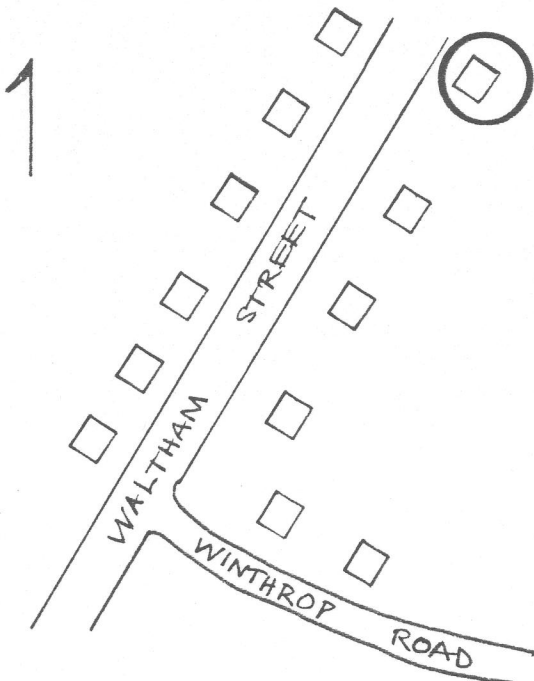
Approximate distance of building from street
30'

6. Recorded by Grady, Schwemmer; Anne Grady

Organization Lexington Historical Commission

Date April 14, 1976; April, 1984

7. Map. Draw sketch of lot in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE
USGS Quadrant _____

MHC Photo no. _____

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) _____

Original use _____

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	<u>x</u>	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
Community development	_____				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

Barn moved across street to #177 made into house -twin of one next door.

Description:

Stone foundation

Front porch to rounded bay at end

Queen Anne corner window 2nd floor with brackets

2 storey side bay

widow walk 3rd floor

Hip roof

Bay off side-window elaborate muntons

6 dormers

This house was built on land of the Holmes estate opened up for house lots along Waltham Street in 1895 by Francis H. Holmes, real estate dealer.
~~By 1906 C. Fairchild lived there.~~

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

Hudson, Charles. History of the Town of Lexington, revised and continued to 1912 by the Lexington Historical Society, Volume II, p. 307. Boston: Houghton Mifflin Company, 1913.

Lexington Minute Man, August 9, 1895.

1889 atlas

1898 atlas

1906 atlas

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

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Indicate each item on inventory form which is being continued below.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

This house, a substantial late nineteenth century structure like its neighbors, incorporates typical Queen Anne features of broad porch, diagonal corner window, and two-story bay window with polygonal peaked roof. It is distinctive, however, for the balustrade at the deck of the hip roof.

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LEXINGTON

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BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

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HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

It appears that the original owner of this house (first known as 52 Waltham St.) was John T. Scott (1859-1902) who owned a livery stable on Massachusetts Avenue. On October 25, 1895 the *Lexington Minute-man* announced that John T. Scott was going to build on Waltham Street. The 1900 U.S. Census lists Scott as living on Waltham Street between the Goold (now 182 Waltham) and Wiswell (now 194 Waltham) properties. Scott occupied the house with his wife Blanche and son Robert. He died on June 9, 1902 and soon thereafter the family appears to have moved.

By 1918 the house was occupied by Lester and Mary Ellis. He was employed as a civil engineer. The family was still living here in 1942.

[Note: There is no archival evidence to suggest Camille Fairchild lived here. The 1908 directory lists her at 51 Waltham Street].

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Lexington Directories, various dates.
Lexington Minute-Man, October 25, 1895.

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